

Amendment

In the Specification:

Please amend specification pages 7 and 12 as follows:

at page 7 line 23, replace [A-A] with 4-4; and

at page 11 line 10, replace [mortises & tennon] with "mortise & tenon"; and

at page 12 line 2, replace [spine] with "spline".

at page 12 line 13, replace [described] with describes;

The paragraphs with these amendments are listed below:

FIG. 4 is a sectional view of the retainer wall system shown in Fig. 3, taken along plane [A-A] 4-4;

In a first preferred embodiment, shown in Fig. 3 & 4, the coupling means 46 present at opposed ends 80a,80b of each wall segment 44 comprises a [mortises & tennon] mortise & tenon arrangement, comprising a protruding member 90 at one end 80a, and a mating slot 92 at opposite end 80b, to permit interlocking of an end 80a of a first wall element 44 to an end 80b of an adjacent wall element 44. In a preferred embodiment a pin member 60 may be inserted through a longitudinal bore 56 passing centrally through protruding member 90 and mating slot 92, to permit some rotation of one wall segment 44 relative to an adjacent interlocked wall segment 44, to assist in conforming a retainer wall 48 to a desired curvilinear profile.

Likewise, another manner of accomplishing interlocking between adjacent pairs of wall segments is as shown in Fig. 6. A protruding [spine] spline member 101, in the shape of a "T", extends from a first end 80a of a wall segment 44, and may be slidingly engaged with a corresponding aperture 102 in an opposite end 80b of an adjacent wall segment 44.

Although the disclosure [described] describes and illustrates preferred embodiments of the invention, it is to be understood that the invention is not limited to these particular embodiments. Many variations and modifications will now occur to those skilled in the art. For definition of the invention, reference is to be made to the appended claims.